INFORMATIONAL LETTER NO.1443

DATE: October 27, 2014

TO: Iowa Medicaid Dental Providers and Federally Qualified Health Centers

(FQHC)

FROM: Iowa Department of Human Services, Iowa Medicaid Enterprise (IME)

RE: Dental Policy Changes for Procedure Codes D2950 and D2954

EFFECTIVE: December 1, 2014

Effective for dates of service on or after December 1, 2014, the IME will no longer reimburse for procedure code D2950 when provided on the same day and same tooth number as procedure code D2954.

Core buildups, including pins (D2950), are included in the prefabrication post and core in addition to a crown build-up (D2954). Iowa Medicaid will continue to reimburse providers for procedure codes D2950 and D2954 when performed on different dates of service and/or different tooth numbers. If billed on different dates of service on the same tooth number, clinical notes must clearly document why the services were provided on separate dates.

If you have any questions, please contact the IME Provider Services Unit at 1-800-338-7909, locally in Des Moines at 515-256-4609 or by email at imeproviderservices@dhs.state.ia.us.